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Ms. Maureen Benitz Senior Campaign Finance & Reviewing Analyst Reports Analysis Division Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20463

> Re:Democratic Party of Illinois FEC Identification #C00167015 October Monthly Report

Dear Ms. Benitz:

We write in response to the Commission's letter dated November 18, 2014, regarding the Committee's October Monthly Report.

Regarding the identified payments on Schedule B supporting Line 30(b), these payments meet the definition of "exempt" activity as set forth in 11 C.F.R. 100.87 and 100.147.

Regarding the identified payments on Schedule H4 supporting Line 21 (a), the payment for insurance was not for any employee's salary, wage or fringe benefits, but rather to limit the liability of Committee directors and officers generally for claims that may arise from the Committee's operations, and hence was correctly reported on Schedule H4. The payment for moving expenses was for the cost of transporting Committee-owned items from a public event, and hence was correctly reported on Schedule H4. The Committee will amend its report to show the housing payment on Line 30(b).

Regarding the other identified payments on Schedule H4, the payment for "A Mail program" was to acquire the general use of database software, and hence was correctly reported on Schedule H4. The payment for "tray tags for mailings" was for blank tags and not for the direct cost of any Federal Election Activity, and hence was correctly reported on Schedule H4.

Regarding the identified payments on Schedule H6, the underlying communications did not refer to a clearly identified candidate for Federal office.

If you have further questions, please contact the committee.

Sincerely yours,

Michael Kasper